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HOUSE BILL NO. 247

91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES SEIGFREID AND RELFORD (Co-sponsors).

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ANNE C. WALKER, Chief Clerk

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 115, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the establishment of early voting procedures.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 115, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as sections 115.800, to read as follows:

**115.800. 1. Every election authority shall establish an advance voting period when
2 eligible registered voters may vote before an election at the office of the election authority
3 or another polling place designated by and under the control of the election authority. The
4 advance voting period shall begin on the third Monday before the election and shall end
5 on the Friday immediately before the election.**

**6 2. Every election authority establishing an advance voting period shall establish the
7 hours, dates and locations for advance voting and shall post the hours, dates and locations
8 for advance voting at his or her office and in such other locations as the election authority
9 may select.**

**10 3. Except as provided in this section, advance voting procedures shall be conducted
11 in accordance with sections 115.407 to 115.445.**

**12 4. Before the precinct registers are delivered to the polling places for an election,
13 the election authority shall record in the precinct registers the names of all voters who have
14 submitted an advance voting ballot. The election judge shall not allow any person who has
15 voted an advance voting ballot in the election to vote at the polls on election day. If it is
16 determined that any voter submitted an advance voting ballot and voted at the polls on
17 election day, the election authority shall certify the fact and the name of the voter to the**

18 **verification board. Such certificate shall be included with the abstracts drawn by the**
19 **verification board.**